

Davidson Names Primary Board

(Special to The News.)
Nashville, May 18.—The Davidson county democratic executive committee met this afternoon and elected a county primary board composed of the following members: August Schardt, representing Shields; W. H. Jonnard, representing Roberts; W. T. Jones, representing Shropshire; W. J. Donnelly, representing Peay, and Ollie M. Golden, representing Cates. Schardt received the highest vote and Golden the lowest, with the exception of the Harvey H. Hannah representative, who was two votes below Golden's.

AMERICAN HEARTS WITH ARMY IN FRANCE

President Wilson Sends Message to People Over the Sea.

(Associated Press.)
Paris, May 18.—On the eve of the great German offensive, says an official note, issued here today, President Wilson, anxious to address a message to the French people, has asked one of his personal friends, James Kerney, director of the Franco-American committee on public information, to convey the following to them:

"The people of the United States are happy to find itself in the brotherhood of arms with the people of France in a war in which every man who loves right ought to be proud to take part. For over one hundred years the American people has desired this opportunity, which befalls it today, of giving the French people proof of its gratitude and friendship. There is added now in its soul deep and ardent admiration for the heroism and self-denial whereof the French people have given proof in this terrible and last conflict between liberty and brutal ferocity.

DETECTIVE TELLS OF DENTIST'S ACTIONS

Following Funeral of Wife of Whose Death He Is Accused.

(Associated Press.)
Richmond, Va., May 18.—Detective-Sergeant John Willy was the first witness today in the trial of Dr. Lemuel J. Johnson, the young dentist, charged with murdering his girl wife, the detective relating events leading up to the tragedy and the movements of the accused man following the victim's funeral.

Willy said the dentist told him Mrs. Johnson did not take a capsule containing poison on the night her husband left for North Carolina. She had come with her husband to the sta-

BROUGHT DOWN GERMANS IN NONCHALANT FASHION

While American Aviators Waited for French General to Confer Decorations Capt. Peterson Sailed Into Air, Bagging Two Boches in One Minute.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, May 18.—Another official American communique from Gen. Pershing was made public today by the war department.
Gen. Pershing transmitted details of the bringing down of two German planes by Capt. Peterson of the American army, while aviators were waiting for a French general coming to confer decorations.
The text follows:
"Headquarters American Expeditionary Forces, May 16, 1918.—Section A.—In Lorraine patrolling was active and there was again increase of artillery fire. Otherwise the day was quiet at points occupied by our troops.
"Section B.—Particulars concerning the bringing down of hostile airplanes

tion to tell him good-bye. This was a few nights before her death. The next day she was ill, and the detective surmised that perhaps she had been given an insufficient quantity of poison to cause death.

The detective first met Johnson at police headquarters four days after Mrs. Johnson's death. Johnson called to see Willy, telling him he wanted the case thoroughly investigated. "I asked him if he had any suspicions," said Willy, "and he replied that he could not say that he had."

The next development was Johnson's attempt to kill himself in Wilkeson, N. C. Willy went there at once and arrested the young dentist.

The detective said he asked Johnson if he was "going to jump overboard," and that Johnson's only reply was: "Troubles, troubles." Johnson readily agreed to come to Richmond with him, Willy said.

Willy said Johnson told him that he was engaged to Miss Ollie White, of Zebulon, N. C., and that he had given her a ring a year ago.

CHAIRMAN GEORGE CREEL
"CUSSED AND DISCUSSED"
(International News Service.)
Washington, May 18.—The congressional controversy over the fitness of George Creel to continue as chairman of the committee on public information came temporarily to a halt this afternoon.

Pending receipt by the rules committee of information demanded by Representative Campbell, of Kansas, as to the personnel of the Creel bureau, the rules committee deferred action on the Treadway resolution.

Creel's co-workers have been denounced as "fanatics," "parlor socialists," and "anarchists" in the committee hearings.

Creel was "cusSED and discussed"

at about noon May 15, previously reported, when aviators were waiting for a French general who was coming to confer decorations are as follows:
"While waiting, Capt. Peterson made an ascent and encountered two German planes and shot down both within one minute, firing sixty shots at the first and fifteen at the second. The first plane burst into flames before hitting the ground and the wings of the second were seen to crumple up when nearing the earth. No definite information concerning the third hostile plane reported brought down.
"It is now determined that our airplane reported yesterday as having accidentally fallen within our lines north of Toul, was shot down, probably by hostile anti-aircraft guns."

in the committee meeting, one member said, but there was no indication as to the committee's final action.

SOMEONE STEALS CARNIVAL BEARS—NO, TEDDY BEARS

A joy vender in a sideshow on Eleventh street came up short, seven teddy bears Saturday morning, after having posted a negro watchman in his tent all Friday night.
The teddy bears were used as prizes for rolling wooden balls into numbered slots. The balls look worn, not to say weary. The question that disturbs the joy vender is, did some dead game sport break into his tent, roll his balls and win his bears, or did some one have the heart to steal 'em?
This query can be answered only by Pinkerton or the Chattanooga detective force.

GOES TO CHARLESTON, S. C. AGAIN RANKING AS COLONEL

(International News Service.)
Washington, May 18.—Brig. Gen. Benjamin Alford, national army, who recently returned from France, where he was adjutant-general of the American expeditionary forces, will be returned to his rank of colonel, adjutant-general's department, regular army, and sent to Charleston, S. C., where he will become adjutant-general of the southeastern department, it became known today.

MONEY FOR AVIATORS

(International News Service.)
Paris, May 18.—Curtis Tilton, of Philadelphia, residing at Biarritz, today offered five prizes of 1,000 francs each to American aviators bringing down German machines.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES AT COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF CENTRAL HIGH FRIDAY EVENING



Left to right they are: Top Row—Miss Anna Null, faculty representative, and Miss Louise Hale, valedictorian. Bottom Row—Robert Jones, class representative; McLemore Roberts, faculty representative; Robert Condra, salutatorian.

FOUNDATION COMPANY BUILDS NONSINKABLES

(Emergency Fleet News.)
Contracts for five vessels of a type said to be nonsinkable have been let by one of the allied governments to the Foundation company, according to an announcement by Franklin Remington, president of the company, which is published in the Nautical Gazette. The order followed tests with an experimental boat, which proved highly satisfactory. The Foundation company has acquired the site for a yard near New Orleans and is equipping a plant for the construction of the nonsink-

ables. According to the present schedule, the first hull will be launched early next year, and the first completed vessel will be ready in April, 1919. The vessels are to be of 4,200 tons dead weight each.

The hull consists of two parallel cylindrical shells joined throughout their length by a series of heavily braced diaphragms. The nonsinkable feature, or rather the ability to resist submarine attack, depends upon the improbability of the vessel being struck by torpedoes on both sides. Each cylindrical shell is divided not only into water-tight compartments by transverse bulkheads, but also is iso-

lated entirely from the adjoining shell and from the sealed space between the two. The latter space, which has a water-tight bottom and deck, is not used for cargo, but is provided solely for reserve buoyancy.

The proportions of the ship are such that it will not sink, even though all of the compartments on one side are flooded. The ship will be propelled by twin 700-horsepower steam engines supplied by oil-fired boilers, one complete unit installed in each half of the hull. The units are independent, so that if one is put out of commission the other will be able to bring the vessel into port.

Men Wanted —for— S. S. Service

The call is for men. Never in the history of our country has the demand for men been greater than now. Men are wanted for all forms of service.

Now comes the call for another service. It is service in the Sunday School. Not as an officer or teacher, but in the ranks and among men who want to hear the lessons that Jesus taught; men who desire to hear the word of God.

The First Presbyterian Church has inaugurated a Sunday School Class for men just a little different from the Bible Class. It wants recruits for this class. No physical or mental examinations are required. Religious preference can be what it may.

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Tomorrow morning is a good time to report; 9:30 A. M. is the hour. Just walk out McCallie avenue to the corner of Douglas. The church is on the corner. A bronze sign designates it as The First Presbyterian—Rev. J. W. Bachman, pastor.

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